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Sir :

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §1.56 and §§1.97-1.98, and supplemental to the Information Disclosure Statements that were filed on June 2, 2006, April 24, 2006, March 21, 2006; February 7, 2006; December 2, 2005; September 22, 2005; August 5, 2005; April 6, 2005; March 8, 2005; January 21, 2005; December 23, 2004; November 24, 2004; October 14, 2004; October 1, 2004; August 18, 2004; and June 30, 2004, Applicant hereby submits the following:

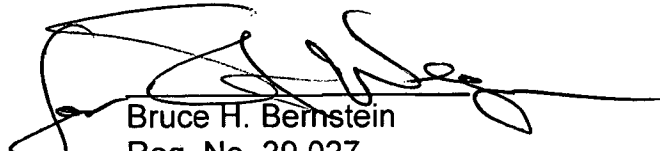
A copy of a Second Office Action issued by the Chinese Patent Office on May 12, 2006 with respect to patent family member Chinese Patent Application No. 200310102698.X is enclosed, in which no prior art document was cited. An English language translation of the Chinese Office Action is not presently available to Applicant.

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